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at1118paper: Complete the Square (v417)

Example

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 - 38x = -312$$

Add $(\frac{-38}{2})^2$, which equals 361, to both sides of the equation.

$$x^2 - 38x + 361 = 49$$

Factor the left side.

$$(x - 19)^2 = 49$$

Undo the squaring. We need to consider both $\pm\sqrt{49}$.

$$x - 19 = -7$$

or

$$x - 19 = 7$$

$$x = -26$$

or

$$x = -12$$

Question 1

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 - 52x = 413$$

Question 2

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 + 48x = 448$$

Question 3

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 + 38x = -192$$

Question 4

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 - 10x = 231$$

Question 5

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 - 18x = 280$$

Question 6

By completing the square, find both solutions to the given equation:

$$x^2 - 22x = 104$$